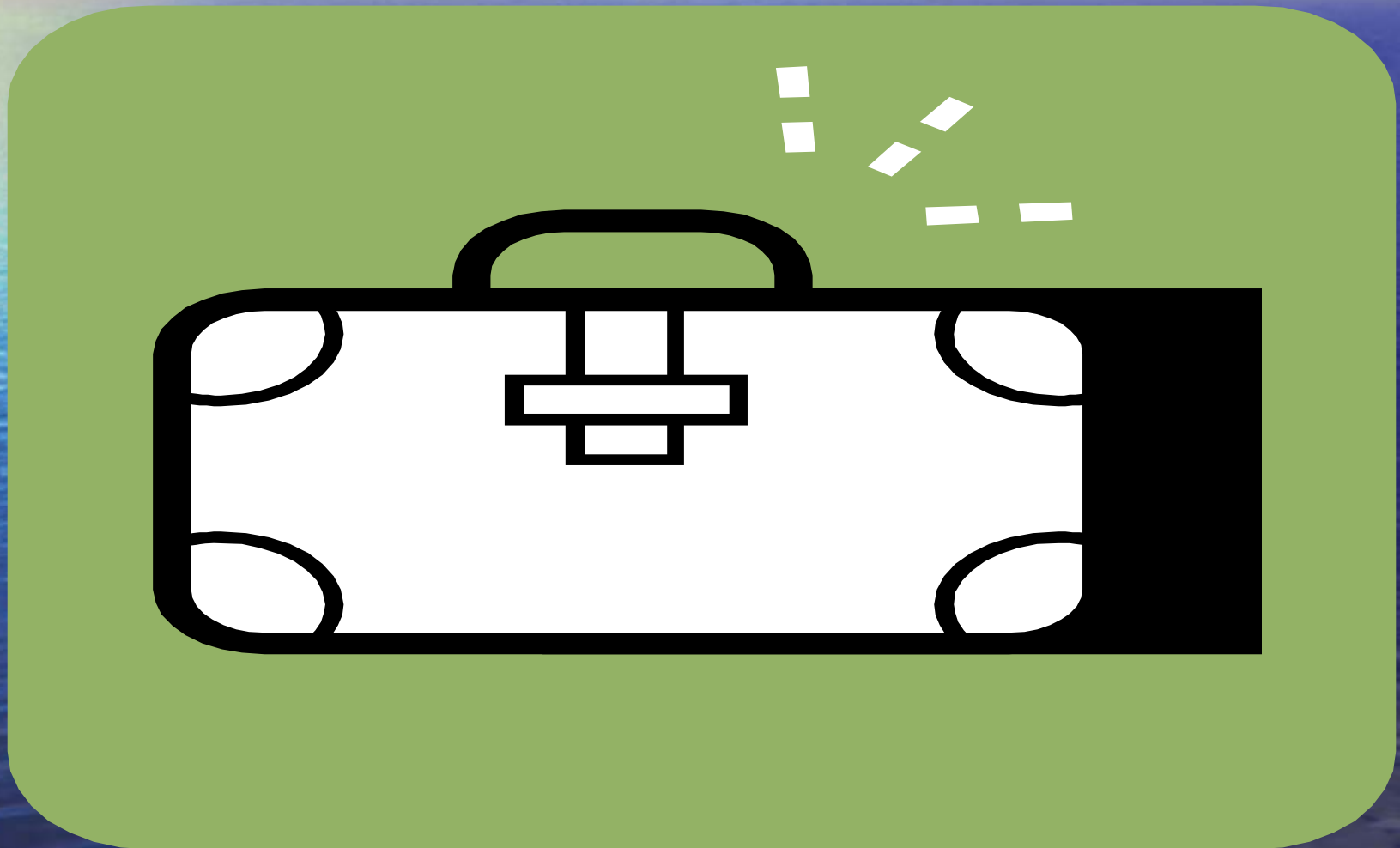


# Group work & Pair work



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# Introduction

Group work is one of the teaching strategies available to teachers attempting to make their teaching more effective.



# Definitions

- ❑ Collaborative group work is a teaching method , in which students who are between 4 and 6 some times 8 students sit in a group around the table and they share resources and their ideas and also work and discuss together for common goal.
- ❑ Groups can be homogeneous or heterogeneous on the basis of students' physical characteristics, gender, race, individual differences and their interests.

- ❑ In video two the teacher's instructions are so clear that no student seems to be struggling to grasp what he is expected to do.
- ❑ Both classes were organized well either in working in groups or in pairs ( the seats arrangement, the spaces left, the material used such as the colorful sentence strips ,the colorful markers )
- ❑ The teacher was talking slowly and repeating some sentences in exposing instructions to let students with lower level to follow and understand
- ❑ The teacher was treating students in a kind way which create a sense of comfort and secure with in the learners
- ❑ The teacher voice and utterance were clear and she took care to com close to the groups to provide help



# What issues do the teachers have to consider?

- ☐ teachers have to choose the best task for group work because some tasks are more appropriate for individual work and some of them for group works .
- ☐ Classroom dimensions are the second issue for grouping. Some schools may have small classrooms which could be a problem for group.
- ☐ Group sizes are another issue for grouping .  
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# The purpose of group work

- Group work may be an effective teaching strategy with regard to the use of teacher times and other resources .
- The purpose of group work is to share the classroom resources, each other's ideas and work together for common goal.



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- ❑ In group work teachers have to choose the best working groups. The teacher's wrong choices and their miss-matching leads to unsuccessful group works and inappropriate talking.

For these reasons, many teachers abandon the group work.



# The advantages and the benefits of group work.

- ☐ Give learners more speaking time.
- ☐ Takes the spot light off you and puts it onto the children.
- ☐ Allows them to mix with every one in the group.
- ☐ Gives them a sense of achievement when reaching a team goal.
- ☐ Students become active and patient. They respect each other, their ideas and weaknesses.

- ❑ They can take a chance to use their skills, knowledge, experiences.
- ❑ They can learn and teach other so they can learn to work interdependently and not be dependent on their teacher.
- ❑ The number of the slow learning pupils can reduced.
- ❑ Group teaching method improves the shy and silence students, they benefit to join conversation and discussion. They become social persons.



# Problems of collaborative group work.

- ☐ Teachers have to learn how can they arrange groups and how can manage with them.
- ☐ How can they teach effectively .
- ☐ Teachers need to have some training in counseling skills .

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